

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of Review Case No. C-2011-085 R, Jacquie M. Stuhl

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**SUBMITTED BY:** Charles Easaw, Chief Investigator, Investigative Unit, State Board of Education

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**MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW:** October 4, 2011

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**Jacquie Stuhl** applied for a Standard Elementary teaching certificate on April 14, 2011. On her Arizona application for certification, she correctly answered “yes” to the following question: “Have you ever been arrested for any offense for which you were fingerprinted?” She disclosed an arrest for Driving under the Influence in Napa Valley, CA on July 20, 1992, to which she later pled no contest.

On July 30, 2009 the Investigative Unit received a report from Laveen Elementary School District that Ms. Stuhl was placed on administrative leave after being in the possession of and under the influence of alcohol on school grounds during work hours.

Ms. Stuhl disclosed that on July 30, 2009, she brought a plastic bottle filled with 7-Up and tequila to Cheatham Elementary School. While attending an in-service workday, with no students present, co-workers asked her if she had been drinking, and she admitted to it. She was then driven by school staff to an alcohol testing facility and tested positive for being under the influence at .213. Ms. Stuhl submitted her resignation on July 31, 2009.

Ms. Stuhl was notified that her application required a review by the Professional Practices Advisory Committee (“PPAC”) of the State Board of Education (“State Board”).

The PPAC discussed how Ms. Stuhl has spent the last year attempting to work things out so she can obtain her teaching certificate. She has been seeing a therapist at Pasadena Mental Health Center and attends Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, two days per week.

On September 13, 2011, the PPAC conducted a review of Jacquie Stuhl’s application. The PPAC found the following mitigating factors:

- Current letters of recommendations within the last year
- Candor with the committee
- Letters of recommendations with proof of counseling
- Acknowledgement of responsibility
- Only one arrest which occurred in 1992

The PPAC found the following aggravating factors:

- None

By a vote of 5 to 0, the PPAC recommended that the State Board **grant Jacquie Stuhl’s** application for certification.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:** [ ] INFORMATION [X] ACTION/DESCRIBED BELOW:

That the Board accepts recommendation of the PPAC and **grant Jacquie Stuhl’s** application for certification.

**ATTACHMENTS:** YES [X] NO [ ]